IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	
Frederic SGIER et al.)) Group Art Unit: 3733
Application No.: 10/766,911) Examiner: Shaffer, Richard R.
Filed: January 30, 2004) Confirmation No.: 4613
For: VERTEBRAL ARTHRODESIS))

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Response to Office Action

In response to the Office Action dated March 27, 2007, the period for reply having been extended by three (3) months, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Drawings are included in the attached replacement drawing sheets. The amendments are discussed in this paper.

Arguments follow the amendment section of this paper.

Attachments to this amendment include three (3) sheets of Replacement Drawings.